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Heres HERBIE



Look, I'm a man of few words. You all know who I am ... won't waste time on jerky introductions. Editor wanted to run this Department with a lot of fancy talk. Had to boo him and take over. Want to have an understanding with all you readers. Promise to bring you great stories. Greatest in the world, All about me and every word true. In return, you hay every issue or get elobhered. Another thing-write and tell me how you like my new magazine, Address: "HERBIE", American Comics Group, 331 Madison Avenue, New York 17, N. Y. Better write-I get mad easy. Be nice and your letter might even get published. Here are the sort of letters that made 'em give me my own magazine. Go ahead, Read.

"Dear Editor:-

One look at the cover of the new issue of 'Forbidden Worlds' was enough to tell me, 'Herbie's back!' With shaking hands, I snatehed the comie from the rack. I toused fifteen eents to the store-keeper on my way out and, not even waiting for my change, bent it home just as fast as my little legs could carry me. At home I ran into ereat danger, my two younger brothers foaming at the mouth as they struggled desperately for the comic, all the while screaming 'Gimme-gimme, it's got Herbic in it!' Only after I had battled my way to my toom and harred the door could I enjoy the fathomless pleasure of reading a brand new Herbie advenstories. I have arrived at the only possible solution to the problem-give Herbie a book of his own-hefore he takes matters into his own hands! I am hetehy casting my vote (a lollipop) in favor of giving Herbie a book of his own!

-lames H. Palmer, 6518 Belcrest, Houston 17, Texas." Well-they gave me my book, didn't they? What more do you want? James H. Palmer, bub? I'm keeping my eye on you...

"Dear Editor:-We, the members of the Herbie Possecker Fan Club, Rutgers University branch, feel it is unfait to out hero to limit his appearance to only an occasional story. A fellow like Herhie, who displays such sterling devotion to American ideals and does so with such humor and ingenuity, ought to have a whole magazine to himself. We humbly plead with you to give us more of -The Berbie Ponnecker Fan Club

Jean C. Prescott, President Sandra J. Bailey, Vice-President Judy E. Freund, Secretary-Treasurer

Laura A. Johnston, Historias What are you dames yelling about? You're reading me now-whole-book full of me and you deserve it. But you're good kids, Let's see...Jean, Sandra, Judy and Laura...remind me not to bot you.

"Dear Editor:-

There it was ... "HERBIE" ... you can out further examination, 'Herbie Goes To The Devil -topposch once more! The ridieulous, yet delightful idiocy onee more pre-vailed in this strip. The puns and parodies -excellent! Herbie deserves his own comic hy now, I'm positive you'll agree.

-Paul Gamhaccini, 8 Elizabeth Dr., Westport, Conn." I'll say the Editor agreed-be's chicken, All I did was break both his arms and-vou're reading it.

"Dear Editor: 1 am 22 years old and a recent graduate

of Brown University in Providence, R. L. Congratulations to you for Herbie Popnecker, who is one of the most aware characters in all of American literature-my major at the University, Herbie's imperturbable way is very teminiscent of Melville's Ishmael and the lollipop stands as the perfect symbol of the modern anti-child-hero, Herbie swines with his Buddha nature like today's super-beroes never dared! -Barry Walter. 65 John Street, Providence, R. L."

This character makes with long words, With me, it's get in my way and Wham! Can't be

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ORDERS FROM HERBIE: OKAY, YOU SQUARES, IT'S A DATE FOR HERBIE NO. 4, SEPTEMBER IBSUE-ON SALE AT ALL SMART NEWSSTANDS BY MIP-JULY. OF COURSE, YOU DON'T MAYE'R BUY. "YOU CAN BE STUPIC ONLY MEANS BLOOD FRACTURES, TEETS CATTERED ACOUND. NOT NICE, BETTER BUY."

BUY "HERBIE"

HERBIE'S TYPICAL TUESDAY

It was a bright Tuesday that Herbic awoke to, but he felt tired and lethargic. A good day to take things easy, he decided. Relax. Don't extend yourself, except to climb into the hammock for a quiet snooze. And there was nothing in the way of complete comfort, because this happened to be a school boliday-which was why he had slept late in the first place, Plop, plop, plop-that was he descending the stairs. And there was his mother at the phone, a worried look on her face as she spake wortied look on her face as she spake beethlessly to her special friend, Mrs. McGillicuddy, "I-I parked the car in front of the house and forgot to put on the brakes", she was saying in wochegone tones, "and it rolled down the hill and into the lake! Oh, I'm so afraid to tell my husand when he comes home for lunch.... There was only one thing to do. A hurried breakfast, a donning of swim trunks under hreakfast, a donning of swim trunks under his clothes and down to the lake trudged Herhie Popnecker, Mr. Three-By-Three. He could have dived in, but he didn't, hecause if he had he might have caused a tidal wave. He just walked in, walked along the bottom under 20 feet of water. There it was. Looked different. Wet, that was why, Herhie stooped, grasped the automobile by its front axle and lifted it up, staring at it. thoughtfully. Have to get a new one someday soon. Showing wear, He flipped his hand unward and the car shot to the surface. left the water, soared gracefully through the air and landed lightly in the grass bordering the lake. There was a churning of waterthat was Herhie as he strode out and approached the dripping automobile. Wer, Dad would he sure to know what had happened. He dried the car thoroughly with a searing look and pushed it back up the street hecause he was too young to drive. That was that, He'd done what he had to hecause, after all, a fella had ohligations to his mother. Now for a good, relaxing test in the

 ida on which he had intended to huild a gulf course. He had sunk every cent he owned into this land, and now that it was bought, he had discovered too late that it was covered almost completely by a hig mountain! And now he was sunk, bankrupt. Nothing could be done. Other men had sons who could help them, but not Mr. Popnecker Wearily, Herhie pushed back his chair and left the room. Outside, he plodded and left the room. Outside, he plodded heavily up into the sit, spifling a yawn. Pinp, plop, plop—that was he trudging through the sky. He looked down sleepily. Yesh, that was Florida, all right. And that was Dad's property. Tch, tch. Sure was a hig mountain nn it. Herbie stared thoughtfully at it and it stared back at him meanly. Almost as if it were saying, "Wanna make something out of it, Bub?" Well, if there was one thing that he couldn't stand, it was touch mountains, Slowly, he extracted his stock of lollipops and inspected them one by one, Orange. Okny for sudden death, Lemon. Best for maybem, Line, For large elephants or small dinosaurs. Chocolate. For riots and public disturbances, Grape. Best for giants and runaway horses. Butter-scotch. For rehellious armies, that one. Ah -here it was at last, Cinnamon-for bosting tough mountains!

Whatel A terrific shock wave, with dirt and rocks flying in all directions. And when the dust cleared, the mountain had vanished. In its place was a pleasantly rolling terrain, already laid out in greens and fairthought Herhie approvingly. "Get things done," Another walk through the Heavensplop, plop, plop-and he was home again, to find Dad breathless with hapov excitement. Already he had received telegrams offering him a hundred times what he had paid for that Finrida land. Herhie sighed wearily and hended for the hammock. He felt that he had earned a rest. But even as he settled into it with a gurgling, fat sigh, he heard his father's tones. "Where's that little fat solbing of a son of ours?" he was saying. "Wasting his time doing nothing as usual,

Another sigh. That was Hethic getting out of the hammock. Yes, there was no doubt about it. It was a typical Tuenday



























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